

REMARKS

Claims 23-26, 28-33, 35, 36, 39-42, and 44 are now pending in the above-referenced application and are submitted for the Examiner's reconsideration.

As for the objection to the drawings, the claim at issue has been canceled.

Regarding the objection to the claims and the rejection based on Section 112, second paragraph, Applicant submits that these matters have been obviated by the claim amendments.

Applicants have rewritten the allowable claims in independent form. Accordingly, withdrawal of the prior art rejections is requested. Applicant submits that the amendment obviates the informalities noted in the Notice of Non-Responsive Reply.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of the present application is new, non-obvious, and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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